fiscal/compliance audit; authorizing an examination to occur at the offices of a local school system; defining a certain term; clarifying that certain provisions relating to access to records, process, reporting, enforcement, and confidentiality apply to all authorized work and required audits under a certain provision; requiring a unit or body subject to an examination to provide certain information to the Legislative Auditor; establishing a process for the Joint Audit Committee to review local school systems' responses to certain audits; requiring the Governor and the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals to implement certain systems and processes to correct certain audit findings; requiring any unit of State government that has five or more audit findings to notify the Office of Legislative Audits within a certain period of time of certain corrective actions taken or a schedule of certain corrective actions to be implemented for each finding: requiring the Governor and the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals to submit a certain report to eertain the budget committees of the General Assembly by a certain date outlining certain processes to resolve audit findings and evaluating the feasibility of establishing an Inspector General in certain agencies and the Judiciary; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the authorized representatives and the authorized work of the Office of Legislative Audits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 2-1217, 2-1218, and 2-1227

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 2-1219 through 2-1226

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 2-1219.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Government

2-1217.

There is an Office of Legislative Audits in the Department.